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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

April 26, 1917

The Executive Council met at No. 2 Jackson Place, Washington, D. C., April 26, 1917, at 3:30 o'clock P.M.

Present:

Mr. CHANDLER P. ANDERSON	Mr. JOHN H. LATANÉ
Mr. JOHN BARRETT	Mr. JACKSON H. RALSTON
Mr. CHARLES HENRY BUTLER	Mr. JAMES BROWN SCOTT
Mr. FREDERIC R. COUDERT	Mr. ALPHEUS HENRY SNOW
Mr. CHARLES NOBLE GREGORY	Admiral CHARLES H. STOCKTON
Mr. DAVID JAYNE HILL	Mr. CHARLES B. WARREN
Mr. CHARLES CHENEY HYDE	Mr. EVERETT P. WHEELER
Mr. GEORGE W. KIRCHWEY	Mr. GEORGE G. WILSON

Mr. GEORGE A. FINCH, Assistant to the Secretaries, was also in attendance.

In the absence of the Chairman, Admiral STOCKTON presided.

The minutes of the meetings of April 27 and 29, 1916, were approved as printed in the proceedings for that year, pages 164 and 167.

Mr. Scott, Recording Secretary, submitted the following report on the membership of the Society:

### REPORT OF THE RECORDING SECRETARY UPON MEMBERSHIP

Members carried upon the rolls:

Honorary .....	4
Life .....	23
Annual .....	1151
Total .....	1178

Members elected since April 27, 1916:

Life .....	1
Annual .....	195
Total .....	196

Members resigned since April 27, 1916 ..... 23

Members deceased since April 27, 1916 ..... 9

*Members who receive the Spanish edition of the journal*

Members carried upon the rolls .....	230
(Not including subscribers, of whom there are 44)	
Members elected since April 27, 1916.....	19
Members resigned since April 27, 1916.....	1
Members deceased since April 27, 1916 .....	1

The report was received and ordered to be filed.

Mr. ANDERSON, the Treasurer, submitted his report for the year 1917,<sup>1</sup> which, after being read, was ordered to be referred to a committee of two auditors to be appointed by the chair. Attention was called to the fact that several previous Treasurer's reports had not been audited because members appointed upon the auditing committee had been unable to serve. It was thereupon moved and duly seconded that the previous reports which had not been audited be referred to the auditing committee to be appointed this year.

The Chairman subsequently announced that Messrs. Alpheus H. Snow and Charles Ray Dean had been appointed auditors.

Professor George G. Wilson, on behalf of the Committee on Selection of Honorary Members, reported that the Committee did not think it expedient to make a recommendation.

The next order of business was the appointment of a Committee on Nominations and, upon motion duly made and seconded, the Chairman was authorized to appoint the members of this committee. He appointed the following gentlemen:

Mr. CHARLES CHENEY HYDE  
 Mr. GEORGE W. KIRCHWEY  
 Mr. JOHN H. LATANÉ  
 Mr. EVERETT P. WHEELER  
 Mr. GEORGE G. WILSON

Mr. Scott, on behalf of the Board of Editors, reported the action of the Board in directing the issuance, as Special Supplements to the JOURNAL, of the diplomatic correspondence between the United States and belligerent governments relating to neutral rights and commerce. Two issues of these Special Supplements have appeared, one bearing the date of July, 1915, and the other of October, 1916. He further reported that the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace had purchased special editions of 6000

<sup>1</sup> Printed herein page 158.

copies of each of these supplements for distribution. He stated that the Board proposed to issue a third volume of these Special Supplements to complete the correspondence up to April 6, 1917, when the United States ceased to be a neutral by entering the war. The action of the Board of Editors, was, upon motion duly made and seconded, approved by the Council.

In response to the resolution adopted by the Council on April 27, 1916, regarding the employment of an assistant to the Treasurer, Mr. Anderson, the Treasurer, reported that this employee had been employed pursuant to the authorization of the Executive Council of April 26, 1913. He read a statement of the duties which are required of his assistant, whereupon the Council adopted the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the expenditure of twenty-five dollars per month for the salary of an Assistant to the Treasurer be and is hereby ratified, approved and continued.

Whereupon, the Council adjourned at 4 o'clock P. M.

JAMES BROWN SCOTT  
*Recording Secretary*